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AN EVASION.

Legislators often exhibit an amazing infirmity in evading ante-election promises. To those skilled in the art of evasion, the enactment of a law through which one can drive "a coach and four," is a simple and perfunctory act. The house has passed with slight modification, the county bill as drafted by the County Act Commission. The bill provides for the election of boards of supervisors, in accordance with the recent act of Congress specifically enlarging the Organic Act in this respect. Now that Congress has given expression to its views giving the people the right to elect county officers, there is no necessity for passing a modified form of county government in sections or by half a dozen separate bills. Give the people an honest county law, including the power to raise revenue and to support itself. There should be no half way measure. The public is slow to wrath, but once aroused it is likely to put its large foot of public disapproval down hard on all sorts of crawling things.

POLITICAL HONOR.

Members of the Legislature cannot do better than take for their text the following statement made by President Roosevelt in one of his public speeches: "It is absolutely essential, if we are to have the proper standard of public life, that promise shall be square with performance. A lie is no more to be excused in politics than out of politics. A promise is as binding on the stump as off the stump, and these are two facets of that crystal. In the first place, the man who makes a promise which he does not intend to keep and does not try to keep should rightly be adjudged to have forfeited in some degree what should be every man's most precious possession - his honor."

THERE is much truth in the report of the committee on varied industries, appearing in this issue, not only with reference to the encouragement to be given the banana business but every diversified product, which it is possible to produce here. "Hilo's existence is dependent on the sugar industry, remove this and it at once reverts to its original condition of a mere fishing village. It is therefore evident that any industry which will supplement that of the sugar will add so much to the general welfare. Sugar alone, however, will not lift the town much beyond its present position."

EVERY Republican member of the Legislature was elected on a pledge to support county government. The Republican Territorial platform declared in positive terms: "We reiterate our adherence to the principle of decentralization of power and demand the immediate establishment by the Legislature of county governments throughout the Territory. * * * We will secure, if necessary, such amendments to our Organic Act as may be required to enable the Legislature to enact such legislation fully and completely and upon approved modern lines."

Erin Go Bragh.

Spreckels Hall was filled with a profusion of green color Friday night, when the Hilo Cotillion Club gave a dance in honor of Ireland's Patron Saint. Bamboo and evergreens covered the walls, and at one end of the hall was erected a large kissing stone, where the blarneys received renewed inspiration. The music was Prof. Carvalho's four piece orchestra and while resonant, it lacked spirit and timeliness for a real Irish dance. There was a full attendance of Club members and many invited guests, all of whom enjoyed the evening. This is the last meeting of the Club under the present officers, the annual election taking place next month.

KING STREET SIDEWALK.

Baldwin Says Andrews Arbitrarily Made the Changes.

A representative of the TRIBUNE called on E. D. Baldwin, Commissioner of Street Lines and Grades, in regard to an item appearing in the Thursday paper about a repetition of the "King street farce," referring to the difference in grades of the sidewalks on King street, near the Police Station. Mr. Baldwin insists his department or the government are not to blame for the difference in grade established there.

"The local Commission of Street Lines and Grades," said Mr. Baldwin, "consists of the Superintendent of Public Works, the Assistant Superintendent, and a representative of the Survey Department. I am the only resident Commissioner here, and before fixing upon any street line or grade I usually consult with Engineer G. H. Gere of the Public Works Department and the Road Board. This was done, and King street was established on a three per cent grade, which is a common grade for streets crossing wide thoroughfares such as Bridge street. When the former Road Board undertook the work of cutting down King street, ex-Sheriff L. A. Andrews, who was a member of the Board, insisted that the street grade be lowered so as to give a level crossing at the intersection of Bridge street. This made it necessary to excavate King street a foot more than was contemplated and the consequent lowering of the sidewalk and curb in front of the Police Station. Being Sheriff at the time, Mr. Andrews said that with prison labor the sidewalk could be brought to the proper grade with little or no expense. One of his prisoners, Francisco Lopez, an expert stone mason, had just escaped jail, so that the change in the sidewalk in front of the Police Station was not made. Subsequently Andrews went out of the Sheriff's office, and the unsightly appearance of this sidewalk, raised twelve inches above the street line, is the result.

"The change in the established grade of the street was made over the protest of Engineer Gere and myself, both of us favoring a crossing at a three per cent fall. The present crossing is only one-tenth of one per cent, which is practically a level crossing. Mr. Andrews, however, was a great believer in level crossings, although the best authority on streets and street crossings favor a three per cent grade for the intersections of streets of considerable incline crossing main thoroughfares. There ought to be no difficulty in adjusting the sidewalk on King street in front of the Police Station to the proper grade, and had Mr. Andrews remained in office no doubt he would have fulfilled his promise regarding the lowering of the pavement at the point indicated. I confess that the sidewalk on King street needs remedying, but no fault lies with the Survey or Public Works Departments for the present condition.

MONEY IN IT.

Says August Iten, If Mill Would Divide.

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Hawaii, March 17, 1905.

EDITOR TRIBUNE:—Since my published statement concerning the raising of a crop of cane has produced so much comment, it follows that I have been paring close to the place where it hurts. The correspondent in the Maui News would be entitled to a reply if he had the courage to sign his name. In addition to my opinion that a man writing upon a matter of public importance who fails to sign his name is a coward, I quote from "Recollections of Abraham Lincoln," by G. W. Harris, a law student in Lincoln and Herndon's office from 1845 to 1847.

On February 12, 1861, Judge William M. Dickson, of Cincinnati, whose wife was a cousin of Mrs. Lincoln, was announced. The greetings over, the judge got off some rapid-fire questions, a number of which, as also the answers they elicited, I remember distinctly.

"Have you received any threatening letters, Mr. Lincoln?"

"Yes, quite a number—anonymous, of course."

"Have you no fear of possible attempts to execute these threats?"

"Oh, no! I reason that anyone who threatens another man's life, yet lacks the courage to sign his name, is too cowardly to act."

The correspondent also fails to give the names of persons who received \$5 per ton for cane delivered at the flume in the Hilo District from the crop of 1902. There are no such persons. It is well known that a coward will not tell the truth.

There is money, good money, for the small farmer in raising cane if he could get a fair share of the profits from the mill, which he can't get and my original statement shows it plainly.

Respectfully,
AUGUST ITEN.

THE NEW STYLE.

A Japanese Opinion of the Modern European Dance.

All the readers of the TRIBUNE do not subscribe to the Japanese newspaper and frequently miss some of the editorial and literary gems which appear in the Japanese language of poetry and flowers. In the issue of the Hilo Shimbun, dated February 24th, a description at some length appears of the Hilo Armory ball, which took place on the evening of March 22d. The following is a translation of the article:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN COM-MINGLE.

At 8 o'clock last evening in the Armory Hall, which has been newly built near by the Fishmarket, there was a dance held in commemoration of Washington's Birthday and the completion of the building. All of the guests who were invited assembled and were in the ball room, which is a large hall, being over a hundred square yards in its interior extent.

The room was beautifully decorated with international colors of all nations, and lighted with many electric lights. There were ten musicians making music on a central platform. Then there was an eloquent speech by Mr. LeBlond, some of which we could not understand.

All of the ladies and gentlemen were sitting around the edge of the ball, like flowers. There were about four or five hundred, including Mr. LeBlond, young and old, males and females. Some of them were fanning themselves with fans that glistened with light. The room was filled with perfume and the smell of fine cosmetics. The beautiful young girls resembled butterflies, with their long flowing gowns, or walked like the graceful lotus lily. One gentleman, who looked like Lord Byron, had charge of the dance. All the nobility were there, and the scene was like a state ball the President might give in the White House at Washington.

Among those that I saw there, was a shoemaker, who but a few days before had mended my galoshes. There was the coffee shop man and restaurant waiters commingling with the rest. These people were dressed in swallow tail coats like the rest and were gentlemanly looking gentlemen.

When I entered the hall, this was the vision that greeted my eyes.

When Mr. LeBlond finished his speech, the music began, and the gentlemen and ladies commenced to embrace each other in the dance which they call the waltz. Some people might think this a rude and wanton dance, but this is what they call the civilized dance. If the Japanese who are residing in Hilo stay long enough in this country they may acquire this new style of dancing. Some persons say that the Japanese dance is a very improper and obscene dance and that the European dance is more enlightened. When we go back to Japan, some day we may be invited by the Minister of Foreign Affairs to a ball given in honor of the Emperor's Birthday. I intend to try this new style of dance and embrace Lady Hatayama (who understands the American style of dancing). But we do not know whether we will receive an invitation or not.

In case we are honored with an invitation, we will probably find besides Japanese, Chinamen and others dancing in this new style, and if we do not know how to dance this way, we shall feel much mortified.

As the time was approaching 11 o'clock, we saw Dr. Kushima looking at a couple of dancers very attentively. This was a gentleman holding in his arms a corpulent young lady with leis about her neck. They made a picture of splendid manhood and womanhood to look upon. Many eyes were turned upon these dancers. When the hour of 12 o'clock was arrived, Mr. Sato said to me, "When this dance is finished, we must be going home," but the beauty of the scene was too great and we did not want to go. Mr. Kubo suggested that if

we remained much longer, we would not want to go home at all. Then I said, to the rest, "When you get home, your wives will make you dance lively." Then we all started to our homes, but the music of the dance was still in our heads. Sato was so dazed that as he was leaving the building, he stepped on a dog's tail, which made the animal howl very loudly. Then for the first time Sato realized he was outside, by the bark of the dog.

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